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CODEL KENNEDY

FOLLOWING REPEAT JIDDA 3585 ACTION SECSTATE MAY 20

QUOTE

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DEPT PASS BAGHDAD FOR ARTHUR LOWRIE FROM JIM KING

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OREP (KENNEDY, EDWARD M.)

SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF SENATOR KENNEDY

REF BAGHDAD 531

1. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE FULLY INFORMED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF CODEL'S PLANS FOR GETTING TO ABADAN IN ORDER TO HAVE ARRANGEMENTS SET UP HERE. THIS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT SINCE THERE ARE NO TELEPHONE OR SECURE TELEGRAPHIC LINKS WITH BAGHDAD TO MAKE LAST-MINUTE COMMUNICATIONS POSSIBLE.

2. THEREFORE PLEASE PROVIDE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ASAP:

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A) WHAT IS MODE OF TRAVEL FROM BASRA TO ABADAN?

B) IF TRAVEL IS BY VEHICLE, WILL IRAQI VEHICLES BE USED ALL THE WAY TO ABADAN OR SHOULD IRANIS

PICK CODEL UP AT BORDER? IF FORMER, VEHICLES
SHOULD GO DIRECTLY TO AIRPORT.

C) IF TRAVEL IS BY BOAT, IRAQIS AND IRANIANS MUST
OF COURSE COORDINATE ON PIER TO BE USED, ESCORT PRO-
VIDED, BORDER CROSSING, ETC. EMBASSY ALSO NEEDS TO
KNOW ARRANGEMENTS.

D) ARE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE IN BAGHDAD
TO EXPEDITE BORDER CROSSING? ARE IRAQI OFFICIALS
IN TOUCH WITH IRANIANS ON THESE ARRANGEMENTS? HAVE
ARRANGEMENTS BEEN MADE FOR SPECIAL FERRY SERVICE?

E) WILL CODEL OR ESCORTS HAVE RADIO TO ESTABLISH
CONTACT WITH IRANIANS DURING TRIP FROM BASRA? WHAT
FREQUENCY?

3. PLEASE ADVISE MILLS/AMEMBASSY TEHRAN AS WELL
AS JIDDA. AKINS UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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